



Park County Weed and Pest Control District

June 2017



Call to Action!

I often say that Dalmatian toadflax (*Linaria dalmatica*) is the weed that made Park County famous due to the cooperative efforts of the Upper Southfork landowners and managers, State and Federal agencies, as well as regional and local focus groups in the 90's in their battle to control this insidious species. From this grass roots endeavor, the "Guidelines to Coordinated Management of Noxious Weeds in the Greater Yellowstone Area" was created. This handbook set the stage for how invasive species are managed throughout the west and is used as a template today throughout the entire country. With that thought in mind, we need to once again address the issue of Dalmatian toadflax in Park County.

As you may know, Park County is over 4.5 million acres with over 80% of that public land—or about 3.5 million acres! Now that is a lot of ground to cover. Private landowners can help in reducing infestations of this species on their property as well as keeping new infestations from spreading to areas free of this noxious invader! (Humans and associated activities are the number one cause of spread.) It is more cost effective to mitigate this (or any invasive species) in front country areas before they spread to the back country where resource costs increase dramatically. And without aggressive control efforts, Dalmatian toadflax will continue to spread onto our public lands.

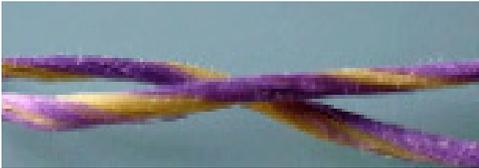
PCWP crews are busy treating this and other noxious weed species throughout the county. As time and resources allow, we will be doing herbicide applications as part of our cost share program, however, landowners are responsible for preventing the spread of this and any other listed noxious weed species on their property and should take whatever measures to assist in this worthwhile effort. The aggressive characteristics of this perennial species from the Mediterranean that include prolific seed production and a creeping root make eradication challenging. Using the proper herbicide along with other sound land management practices can be a useful tool in controlling this insidious plant. At a minimum, plants with seeds should be pulled or clipped and disposed of in the landfill or dropped off at our facility for incineration. Herbicide options are available **FREE** to all Park County landowners.

Dalmatian toadflax
COST SHARE AVAILABLE!

Please contact us for more information regarding effective control methods or to obtain herbicide. 307-754-4521 or 307-527-8885!



Got Hay?



Certified forage products are baled with special twine or tagged indicating that Weed Free Forage Inspection standards have been met.

Park County is a Quarantine County!

All farm products sold in Park County must have a Park County District Wide Quarantine release. Both the buyer and the seller are responsible for compliance and may be fined if in violation. To be released from the District Wide Quarantine the producer *“may use any method to control the movement of propagating parts of noxious weed. This can including mowing, cutting, roguing, cultivating, spraying with pesticides, or any other method that prevents any viable seed or root parts from being moved off the land on which it was grown”.*

If you plan on selling or moving farm products off the property where it was produced, contact Park County Weed and Pest so that we may perform this required inspection! Perennial small seeded legumes will require a separate inspection for Quarantine Release! **Please call 2 weeks before harvest.**

307-754-4521

For a complete list of listed noxious weeds visit <https://parkcountyweeds.org/programs/quarantine-releas->



Heading to the Forest or Other Public Lands?
Remember Weed Free Forage (Certified) Hay!

Does your hay pass the “test”?

For information on the Weed Free Forage Program
and a list of prohibited species go to:

<https://parkcountyweeds.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/new-2016-WFFStandards.pdf>

***You must call our office at 307-754-4521
10 days prior to cutting!***



**STOP INVASIVE SPECIES
IN YOUR TRACKS.**

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